

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, DC 20530

**Supplemental Statement****Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended**For Six Month Period Ending 11/30/2012

(Insert date)

**I - REGISTRANT**

1. (a) Name of Registrant

(b) Registration No.

BGR Government Affairs, LLC

5430

(c) Business Address(es) of Registrant

601 Thirteenth Street, NW  
Eleventh Floor South  
Washington, DC 20005

2. Has there been a change in the information previously furnished in connection with the following?

(a) If an individual:

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| (1) Residence address(es) | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (2) Citizenship           | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (3) Occupation            | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |

(b) If an organization:

- |                          |                              |  |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| (1) Name                 | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (2) Ownership or control | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (3) Branch offices       | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

(c) Explain fully all changes, if any, indicated in Items (a) and (b) above.

N/A

**IF THE REGISTRANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, OMIT RESPONSE TO ITEMS 3, 4, AND 5(a).**3. If you have previously filed Exhibit C<sup>1</sup>, state whether any changes therein have occurred during this 6 month reporting period.Yes ☐No ☒

If yes, have you filed an amendment to the Exhibit C?

Yes ☐No ☐

If no, please attach the required amendment.

<sup>1</sup> The Exhibit C, for which no printed form is provided, consists of a true copy of the charter, articles of incorporation, association, and by laws of a registrant that is an organization. (A waiver of the requirement to file an Exhibit C may be obtained for good cause upon written application to the Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530.)

4. (a) Have any persons ceased acting as partners, officers, directors, or similar officials of the registrant during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position	Date Connection Ended
N/A		

(b) Have any persons become partners, officers, directors or similar officials during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
Jonathan Mantz	8445 Bells Ridge Terrace Potomac, MD 20854	USA	Principal	July 1, 2012
Jeffrey Birbaum	10100 Carter Rd. Bethesda, MD 20817	USA	Principal	July 1, 2012

5. (a) Has any person named in Item 4(b) rendered services directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such person and describe the service rendered.

N/A

(b) During this six month reporting period, has the registrant hired as employees or in any other capacity, any persons who rendered or will render services to the registrant directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal(s) in other than a clerical or secretarial, or in a related or similar capacity? Yes ☒ No ☐

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
Charles Faulkner	808 Grandview Drive Alexandria, VA 22305	USA	Vice President	

(c) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their employment or connection with the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or Connection	Date Terminated
N/A		

(d) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their connection with any foreign principal during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or Connection	Foreign Principal	Date Terminated
N/A			

6. Have short form registration statements been filed by all of the persons named in Items 5(a) and 5(b) of the supplemental statement?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, list names of persons who have not filed the required statement.

N/A

**II - FOREIGN PRINCIPAL**

7. Has your connection with any foreign principal ended during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒  
If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal  
N/A

Date of Termination

8. Have you acquired any new foreign principal(s)<sup>2</sup> during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☒ No ☐  
If yes, furnish the following information:

Name and Address of Foreign Principal(s)  
Royal Thai Embassy, Washington D.C.

Date Acquired  
September 16, 2012

9. In addition to those named in Items 7 and 8, if any, list foreign principal(s)<sup>2</sup> whom you continued to represent during the 6 month reporting period.

Kurdish Regional Government (formerly known as Kurdish Democratic Party)  
Republic of India  
Thaksin Sinawatra  
State of Qatar  
Government of Mauritius  
BGR Gabara, Ltd. (for the Embassy of Kazakhstan, London UK)

10. (a) Have you filed exhibits for the newly acquired foreign principal(s), if any, listed in Item 8?

Exhibit A<sup>3</sup> Yes ☒ No ☐

Exhibit B<sup>4</sup> Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, please attach the required exhibit.

- (b) Have there been any changes in the Exhibits A and B previously filed for any foreign principal whom you represented during this six month period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, have you filed an amendment to these exhibits? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please attach the required amendment.

<sup>2</sup> The term "foreign principal" includes, in addition to those defined in section 1(b) of the Act, an individual organization any of whose activities are directly or indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or subsidized in whole or in major part by a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization or foreign individual. (See Rule 100(a) (9)). A registrant who represents more than one foreign principal is required to list in the statements he files under the Act only those principals for whom he is not entitled to claim exemption under Section 3 of the Act. (See Rule 208.)

<sup>3</sup> The Exhibit A, which is filed on Form NSD-3 (Formerly CRM-157) sets forth the information required to be disclosed concerning each foreign principal.

<sup>4</sup> The Exhibit B, which is filed on Form NSD-4 (Formerly CRM-155) sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

III - ACTIVITIES

11. During this 6 month reporting period, have you engaged in any activities for or rendered any services to any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, identify each foreign principal and describe in full detail your activities and services:

Please see attached.

12. During this 6 month reporting period, have you on behalf of any foreign principal engaged in political activity<sup>5</sup> as defined below? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail all such political activity, indicating, among other things, the relations, interests and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored or delivered speeches, lectures or radio and TV broadcasts, give details as to dates, places of delivery, names of speakers and subject matter.

Please see attached.

13. In addition to the above described activities, if any, have you engaged in activity on your own behalf which benefits your foreign principal(s)? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe fully.

N/A

<sup>5</sup> The term "political activity" means any activity that the person engaging in believes will, or that the person intends to, in any way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

**IV - FINANCIAL INFORMATION****14. (a) RECEIPTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal, any contributions, income or money either as compensation or otherwise? Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, explain why.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies.<sup>6</sup>

Date Please see attached.	From Whom	Purpose	Amount
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Total

**(b) RECEIPTS - FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received, as part of a fundraising campaign<sup>7</sup>, any money on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, have you filed an Exhibit D to your registration? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, indicate the date the Exhibit D was filed. Date \_\_\_\_\_

**(c) RECEIPTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received any thing of value<sup>9</sup> other than money from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal	Date Received	Thing of Value	Purpose
N/A			

<sup>6, 7</sup> A registrant is required to file an Exhibit D if he collects or receives contributions, loans, moneys, or other things of value for a foreign principal, as part of a fundraising campaign. (See Rule 201(e)).

<sup>8</sup> An Exhibit D, for which no printed form is provided, sets forth an account of money collected or received as a result of a fundraising campaign and transmitted for a foreign principal.

<sup>9</sup> Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

**15. (a) DISBURSEMENTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you

(1) disbursed or expended monies in connection with activity on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☐ No ☒(2) transmitted monies to any such foreign principal? Yes ☐ No ☒

If no, explain in full detail why there were no disbursements made on behalf of any foreign principal.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies, including monies transmitted, if any, to each foreign principal.

Date	To Whom	Purpose	Amount
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Total

(b) **DISBURSEMENTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you disposed of anything of value<sup>10</sup> other than money in furtherance of or in connection with activities on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Recipient	Foreign Principal	Thing of Value	Purpose
N/A				

(c) **DISBURSEMENTS-POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you from your own funds and on your own behalf either directly or through any other person, made any contributions of money or other things of value<sup>11</sup> in connection with an election to any political office, or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for political office?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Amount or Thing of Value	Political Organization or Candidate	Location of Event
Please see attached.			

<sup>10, 11</sup> Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks" and the like.

**V - INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS**

16. (a) During this 6 month reporting period, did you prepare, disseminate or cause to be disseminated any informational materials?<sup>12</sup>

Yes ☒ No ☐

If Yes, go to Item 17.

(b) If you answered No to Item 16(a), do you disseminate any material in connection with your registration?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If Yes, please forward the materials disseminated during the six month period to the Registration Unit for review.

17. Identify each such foreign principal.

Kurdish Regional Government (formerly known as Kurdish Democratic Party)

18. During this 6 month reporting period, has any foreign principal established a budget or allocated a specified sum of money to finance your activities in preparing or disseminating informational materials? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such foreign principal, specify amount, and indicate for what period of time.

N/A

19. During this 6 month reporting period, did your activities in preparing, disseminating or causing the dissemination of informational materials include the use of any of the following:

- ☐ Radio or TV broadcasts ☐ Magazine or newspaper ☐ Motion picture films ☒ Letters or telegrams  
☐ Advertising campaigns ☒ Press releases ☐ Pamphlets or other publications ☐ Lectures or speeches  
☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**Electronic Communications**

- ☒ Email  
☐ Website URL(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Social media websites URL(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

20. During this 6 month reporting period, did you disseminate or cause to be disseminated informational materials among any of the following groups:

- ☒ Public officials ☒ Newspapers ☐ Libraries  
☒ Legislators ☒ Editors ☐ Educational institutions  
☒ Government agencies ☒ Civic groups or associations ☐ Nationality groups  
☒ Other (specify) Think Tanks, Trade Associations

21. What language was used in the informational materials:

- ☒ English ☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

22. Did you file with the Registration Unit, U.S. Department of Justice a copy of each item of such informational materials disseminated or caused to be disseminated during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☒ No ☐

23. Did you label each item of such informational materials with the statement required by Section 4(b) of the Act?

Yes ☒ No ☐

<sup>12</sup> The term informational materials includes any oral, visual, graphic, written, or pictorial information or matter of any kind, including that published by means of advertising, books, periodicals, newspapers, lectures, broadcasts, motion pictures, or any means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce or otherwise. Informational materials disseminated by an agent of a foreign principal as part of an activity in itself exempt from registration, or an activity which by itself would not require registration, need not be filed pursuant to Section 4(b) of the Act.

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**VI - EXECUTION**

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swear(s) or affirm(s) under penalty of perjury that he/she has (they have) read the information set forth in this registration statement and the attached exhibits and that he/she is (they are) familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her (their) knowledge and belief, except that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to truth or accuracy of the information contained in the attached Short Form Registration Statement(s), if any, insofar as such information is not within his/her (their) personal knowledge.

(Date of signature)

(Print or type name under each signature or provide electronic signature<sup>13</sup>)

December 20, 2012

/s/ Daniel R. Murphy

eSigned

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<sup>13</sup> This statement shall be signed by the individual agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions, if the registrant is an organization, except that the organization can, by power of attorney, authorize one or more individuals to execute this statement on its behalf.

**BGR Government Affairs, LLC**  
**Addendum to Supplemental Statement Question 11 & 12**

**Republic of India, Embassy**

Date	Individual	Organization/Publication	Type of Cont	Topic
6/5/2012	Matthew Johnson	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
6/8/2012	Jeremy Woodrum	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
6/12/2012	Worku Gachou	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
6/12/2012	Jeremy Woodrum	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
6/12/2012	David Hanke	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
6/12/2012	Mark Brunner	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
6/13/2012	Mark Brunner	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
6/14/2012	Matt Rimkunas	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
6/14/2012	Stacie Oliver	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
6/14/2012	Igor Khrestin	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
6/22/2012	Paul Berkowitz	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
7/9/2012	Emmanuel Touhey	The Hill	Email	U.S.-India Relations
7/11/2012	Paul DeLaney	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
7/11/2012	Tony Hawkins	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
7/11/2012	Jon Lieber	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
7/11/2012	Paul DeLaney	Senate Staff	Call	U.S.-India Relations
7/11/2012	Emmanuel Touhey	The Hill	Email	U.S.-India Relations
7/13/2012	Vishal Amin	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
7/13/2012	Blaine Merritt	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
7/17/2012	Jon Lieber	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
7/18/2012	Gina Santucci	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
7/26/2012	Tom Sheehy	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
7/31/2012	Jon Lieber	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
8/1/2012	Igor Khrestin	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
8/3/2012	Yleem Poblete	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
8/28/2012	Emmanuel Touhey	The Hill	Email	U.S.-India Relations
8/28/2012	Emmanuel Touhey	The Hill	Email	U.S.-India Relations

8/29/2012	Emmanuel Touhey	The Hill	Email	U.S.-India Relations
8/29/2012	Emmanuel Touhey	The Hill	Email	U.S.-India Relations
8/29/2012	Emmanuel Touhey	The Hill	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/7/2012	Jamie McCormick	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/10/2012	Tom Sheehy	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/10/2012	Matthew Zweig	House Staff	Call	U.S.-India Relations
9/11/2012	Jamie McCormick	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/11/2012	Tom Sheehy	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/13/2012	Jamie McCormick	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/13/2012	Matt Hays	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/14/2012	Jamie McCormick	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/15/2012	Tom Sheehy	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/19/2012	Tom Sheehy	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/19/2012	Mark Brunner	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/19/2012	Tom Sheehy	House Staff	Meeting	U.S.-India Relations
9/24/2012	Mark Brunner	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/24/2012	Ken Katzman	CRS Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/24/2012	Matt Zweig	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/25/2012	Tom Sheehy	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/25/2012	Edward Burrier	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/26/2012	Jamie Lynch	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/26/2012	Edward Burrier	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/26/2012	Mark Brunner	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/28/2012	Mark Brunner	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
9/28/2012	Tom Sheehy	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
10/4/2012	Tom Sheehy	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
10/5/2012	Angela Ellard	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
10/5/2012	Neena Shenai	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
10/9/2012	Jamie McCormick	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
10/12/2012	Mark Brunner	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
10/12/2012	Tom Sheehy	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
10/15/2012	Mark Brunner	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
10/16/2012	Tom Sheehy	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
10/17/2012	Mark Brunner	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations

10/18/2012	Jen Stewart	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
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10/22/2012	Reb Brownell	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
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10/22/2012	Phaedra Dugan	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
10/24/2012	Nien Su	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
10/24/2012	Lori Harju	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
10/24/2012	Eric Toy	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
10/24/2012	Chad Kreikemeier	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
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11/5/2012	Jamie McCormick	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
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11/19/2012	Joseph Lai	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
11/20/2012	Tom Sheehy	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
11/20/2012	Jerry Seib	Wall Street Journal	Email	U.S.-India Relations
11/23/2012	Jerry Seib	Wall Street Journal	Email	U.S.-India Relations
11/23/2012	Jerry Seib	Wall Street Journal	Email	U.S.-India Relations
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11/27/2012	Jacob Gillison	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
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11/28/2012	Kate Barlow	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
11/29/2012	Rich Goldberg	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
11/29/2012	Jacob Gillison	House Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations
11/29/2012	Rich Goldberg	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-India Relations

### Royal Thai Embassy, Washington D.C.

11/20/2012	Megan Harrington	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-Thailand Relations
11/27/2012	Marilyn Dillihay	House Staff	Email	U.S.-Thailand Relations
11/27/2012	Sean McLean	House Staff	Email	U.S.-Thailand Relations
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11/29/2012	Doug Anderson	House Staff	Email	U.S.-Thailand Relations

### Kurdistan Regional Government

6/22/2012	Alan Makovsky	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Richard Kessler	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Yleem Poblete	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Matthew Zweig	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Baker Elmore	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Jonathan Moore	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Ken Cummings	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Ari Zimmerman	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Jeremy Woodrum	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Sean McLean	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	John Krisciunas	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Clark Princell	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Brad Christie	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Tom Garofalo	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Brian Diffell	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Matt Rimkunas	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Raymond Windmiller	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Baker Elmore	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/22/2012	Jonathan Moore	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
6/27/2012	Ryan Windmiller	House Staff	Email	U.S.-KRG Relations
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10/9/2012	David Ivanovich	Argus Media	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Molly Christian	Argus Media	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Todd Tranausky	Argus Media	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Andrew Miga	Associated Press	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Matthew Daly	Associated Press	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Carl Leveque	AWEA	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Sibley Fleming	Bis Now	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Daniel Whitten	Bloomberg	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Judy Pasternak	Bloomberg	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Kasia Klimasinska	Bloomberg	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Chad Brand	Congressional Quarterly	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Paul Jenks	Congressional Quarterly	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Jim Landers	Dallas News	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Steven Chu	DOE	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Tenille Tracy	Dow Jones	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Elana Schor	E&E Publishing	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Hannah Northey	E&E Publishing	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Jennifer Yachnin	E&E Publishing	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Josh Kurtz	E&E Publishing	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Katie Howell	E&E Publishing	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations

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10/9/2012	Pamela King	E&E Publishing	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Peter Behr	E&E Publishing	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Bill Murray	Energy Intelligence	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Jason Fargo	Energy Intelligence	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
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10/9/2012	Mary O'Driscoll	FERC	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
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10/9/2012	Nissa Darbonne	Hart Energy	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
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10/9/2012	Carolyn Davis	Intelligence Press	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	David Bradley	Intelligence Press	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
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10/9/2012	Dan Richman	MMI News	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Marianne Lavelle	National Geographic	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations

10/9/2012	Coral Davenport	National Journal	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Mike Magner	National Journal	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Olga Belogolova	National Journal	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Matt Wald	New York Times	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Cameron Raulston	NMA	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Jeff Brady	NPR	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
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10/9/2012	Tim Grieve	Politico	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Russ Blinch	Reuters	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Energy News	SNL	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Michael Lustig	SNL	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Ben Geman	The Hill	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Jennifer Yingling	The Hill	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Phil Smith	UMWA	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Meg Handley	US News and World Report	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Wendy Koch	USA Today	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Amanda Debard	Washington Guardian	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/9/2012	Edward Felker	Washington Guardian	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
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10/11/2012	Hema Parmar	E&E Publishing	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
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10/12/2012	Naki Mendoza	Energy Intelligence	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations

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10/17/2012	Stephanie Cooke	Energy Intelligence	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
10/22/2012	Stephen Smith	Washington Examiner	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
11/2/2012	Cathy Cox	Washington Post	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
11/2/2012	Diana Backlund	Washington Post	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
11/7/2012	Angela Ellard	House Staff	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
11/7/2012	Amber Cottle	Senate Staff	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
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11/12/2012	Linda L. Chavez	Center for Equal Opportunity	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
11/12/2012	Richard Roth	CNN	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
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11/20/2012	Amber Cottle	Senate Staff	Meeting	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
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11/30/2012	Kevin Sullivan	Real Clear Politics	Email	U.S.-Kazakh Relations
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Embassy of Kazakhstan

Type	Memo	Date	Amount
Invoice	Fee	06/01/2012	45,000.00
Invoice	Expense	06/30/2012	700.87
Invoice	Fee	07/01/2012	45,000.00
Invoice	Expense	07/31/2012	577.53
Invoice	Fee	08/01/2012	45,000.00
Invoice	Expense	08/31/2012	45.00
Invoice	Fee	09/01/2012	45,000.00
Invoice	Expense	09/30/2012	42,822.34
Invoice	Fee	10/01/2012	45,000.00
Invoice	Expense	10/31/2012	61.96
Invoice	Fee	11/01/2012	45,000.00
Invoice	Expense	11/30/2012	121.70

Embassy of Kazakhstan	
Fees	270,000.00
Expenses	44,329.40
Total	314,329.40

Thaksin Sinawatra

Thaksin Sinawatra	
Fees	0
Expenses	0
Total	0

Government of Mauritius

Invoice	Expense	06/30/2012	1,828.51
Invoice	Expense	07/31/2012	2,584.20

Government of Mauritius	
Fees	25,000.00

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Invoice	Fee	08/01/2012	25,000.00	Expenses 16,268.92
Invoice	Expense	08/31/2012	4,579.32	Total 41,268.92
Invoice	Expense	09/30/2012	6,604.09	
Invoice	Expense	10/31/2012	616.80	
Kurdish Regional Government	Invoice	Expense	11/30/2012	56.00
	Invoice	Expense	06/30/2012	50,790.86
	Invoice	Fee (Jul-12 - Sep -12)	07/01/2012	90,000.00
	Invoice	Expense	07/10/2012	2,338.60
	Invoice	Expense	07/31/2012	3,084.54
	Invoice	Expense	08/31/2012	18,011.35
	Invoice	Expense	09/30/2012	17,376.19
	Invoice	Fee (Oct-12 - Dec -12)	10/01/2012	90,000.00
	Invoice	Expense	10/31/2012	3,739.94
	Invoice	Expense	11/30/2012	16,078.50
Republic of India				
	Invoice	Fee	06/30/2012	58,333.00
	Invoice	Fee	07/31/2012	58,333.00
	Invoice	Fee	08/31/2012	58,333.00
	Invoice	Fee	09/30/2012	58,333.00
	Invoice	Fee	10/31/2012	58,333.00
Royal Thai Embassy				
	Invoice	Fee	10/13/2012	30,000.00
	Invoice	Fee	11/13/2012	30,000.00

Kurdish Regional Government	
Fees	180,000.00
Expenses	111,419.98
Total	291,419.98

Republic of India	
Fees	291,665.00
Expenses	0.00
Total	291,665.00

Royal Thai Embassy	
Fees	60,000.00
Expenses	0.00

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Amount

Total 60,000.00

State of Qatar

State of Qatar	
Fees	0
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<i>W Roberts</i>					
Committee to Re-Elect Congressman Chris Smith	9/19/2012	\$500.00	House	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	8/31/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	7/31/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	9/25/2012	\$125.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	6/30/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
		\$1,375.00			
		\$1,375.00			

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<i>C. Faulkner</i>					
NRCC (Federal)	7/23/2012	\$25.00	National Party	Federal	2012
Romney for President, Inc.	8/20/2012	\$52.00	President	Federal	2012
George Allen for U.S. Senate	7/23/2012	\$100.00	Senate	Federal	2012
		\$177.00			
		\$177.00			

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<i>E Rogers</i>					
Schilling for Congress	9/20/2012	\$1,000.00	House	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	8/31/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	7/31/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	9/25/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	6/30/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
Romney for President, Inc.	7/26/2012	\$5,000.00	President	Federal	2012
Tommy Thompson for Senate	7/31/2012	\$500.00	Senate	Federal	2012
		\$7,500.00			
		\$7,500.00			

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<i>J Birnbaum</i>					
BGR PAC	9/25/2012	\$300.00	PAC	Federal	2012

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<i>D Murphy</i>					
Tom Cotton for Congress	7/18/2012	\$500.00	House	Federal	2012
Ron DeSantis for Congress	9/11/2012	\$500.00	House	Federal	2012
The Congressman Bill Young Campaign Committee	9/18/2012	\$500.00	House	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	8/31/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	7/31/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	9/25/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	6/30/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
Romney for President, Inc.	10/23/2012	\$1,000.00	President	Federal	2012
Romney for President, Inc.	6/25/2012	\$500.00	President	Federal	2012
George Allen for U.S. Senate	9/29/2012	\$250.00	Senate	Federal	2012
George Allen for U.S. Senate	9/27/2012	\$500.00	Senate	Federal	2012
Hoosiers of Richard Murdock	10/16/2012	\$500.00	Senate	Federal	2012
Wicker for Senate	10/3/2012	(\$500.00)	Senate	Federal	2012
Fortuno 2012	9/6/2012	\$500.00	Governor	State	2012
Fortuno 2012	7/6/2012	\$500.00	Governor	State	2012
		\$5,750.00			
		\$5,750.00			

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<i>L. Griffith</i>					
Romney Victory, Inc.	10/11/2012	\$5,000.00		Federal	2012
Crowley for Congress	8/26/2012	\$250.00	House	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	8/31/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	7/31/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	9/25/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	6/30/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
TENNPAC	6/11/2012	\$2,500.00	PAC	Federal	2012
Responsibility and Freedom Work PAC (RFPAC)	6/19/2012	\$2,500.00	PAC	Federal	2012
Romney for President, Inc.	6/25/2012	\$250.00	President	Federal	2012
Romney for President, Inc.	7/30/2012	\$2,500.00	President	Federal	2012
Dean Heller for Senate	9/12/2012	\$1,000.00	Senate	Federal	2012
Tommy Thompson for Senate	9/12/2012	\$1,000.00	Senate	Federal	2012
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		\$16,000.00			

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<i>E Wells</i>					
BGR PAC	8/31/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	7/31/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	9/25/2012	\$125.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	6/30/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
Responsibility and Freedom Work PAC (RFPAC)	9/20/2012	\$500.00	PAC	Federal	2012
Responsibility and Freedom Work PAC (RFPAC)	7/11/2012	\$500.00	PAC	Federal	2012
Responsibility and Freedom Work PAC (RFPAC)	5/18/2012	\$500.00	PAC	Federal	2012
George Allen for U.S. Senate	9/27/2012	\$500.00	Senate	Federal	2012
Tommy Thompson for Senate	9/4/2012	\$500.00	Senate	Federal	2012
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BGR PAC	8/31/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
BGR PAC	7/31/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
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ROSKAM PAC	10/10/2012	\$250.00	PAC	Federal	2012
Tommy Thompson for Senate	10/22/2012	\$1,000.00	Senate	Federal	2012
Jim Lemunyon for Delegate	6/1/2012	\$200.00	Delegate	State	2012
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## Letter From Erbil

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**From:** Letter From Erbil [letterfromerbil@kurdistantoday.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 08, 2012 6:06 PM  
**Subject:** PM Barzani announces new power plant: We will continue our efforts to achieve more progress

### **PM Barzani announces new power plant: We will continue our efforts to achieve more progress**

Erbil, Kurdistan Region, Iraq (KRG.org) – Prime Minister Nechirvan Barzani announced a strategic, tripartite energy agreement yesterday between companies from the Czech Republic, Turkey and the Kurdistan Region to build a new power plant.

The agreement brings together the Czech Export Bank, Czech company PSG International, Turkey's Renaissance Construction and KAR Group, the Kurdistan Region's largest company, to build and finance the power plant.

Speaking at the signing ceremony, Prime Minister Barzani described the progress that the Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) had made over the years in meeting the electricity and energy demands of its citizens. He said, "We are continuing our efforts to achieve more progress; we are taking steps to further modernize the electricity sector, and we will continue these efforts until we can provide all the necessities of our dear citizens in this sector throughout the region."

The Czech Republic's Minister of Industry and Trade Martin Kuba, who is leading a large business delegation to Kurdistan, said that he was impressed with the continued economic growth and stressed the importance of strengthening bilateral ties with the KRG.

Minister Kuba said, "Today, we do have a number of Czech companies doing good business in Kurdistan, however, there are many more opportunities for further engagements; we are here to explore those opportunities." He also commended the KRG's efforts to empower the private sector, saying the results had produced notable success.

The new power plant will be designed and implemented by PSG International, with the local assistance of KAR Group, which has already built the Khurmala Dome oil field development. Mr. Baz Karim, the CEO of KAR Group, said that the new power plant is one of series of projects that his company hopes to build over the next few years. He said, "This power plant completes our company as a fully integrated energy company, and I am excited to be part of providing stable energy for our country."

He outlined the company's plans to build two strategic pipeline projects designed to pump crude oil from Taq Taq to Khurmala, and from Erbil to Duhok. These pipelines would allow the KRG to conveniently send crude oil to other strategic pipelines to be exported to the international market. The project will be financed by Czech Export Bank in a deal that is likely to attract further foreign and domestic companies.

Mr. Tomáš Uvíra, CEO of Czech Export Bank, touched on the need for greater economic cooperation between the Kurdistan Region and the Czech Republic, saying: "I am pleased to represent the first Czech bank to organize financing support to this kind of project. There is a strong desire among Czech businessmen to be more engaged and present in Kurdistan."

The Turkish construction company Renaissance will be responsible for building the plant.

Several KRG, Czech and Iraqi officials participated in the ceremony, including the KRG Minister of Trade and Industry Sinan Chalabi; Minister of Natural Resources Dr Ashti Hawrami; the Head of KRG Department of Foreign Relations, Minister Falah Mustafa, and the Minister of Electricity Yasin Sheikh Abubakir Mawati. The governor of

Erbil, Mr. Nawzad Hadi, and several officials and diplomats based in Erbil also attended the event.

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## Letter From Erbil

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**From:** Letter From Erbil [letterfromerbil@kurdistantoday.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 14, 2012 10:55 AM  
**Subject:** MEED Conference puts international spotlight on business in Kurdistan

### **MEED Conference puts international spotlight on business in Kurdistan**

Erbil, Kurdistan – Iraq (KRG.org) – One of the oldest Middle East business consultancies this week in Erbil held its first conference in Iraq since its foundation in 1957. MEED held the two-day conference for international companies hoping to join others that have already established themselves through investments and projects in the Kurdistan Region and the rest of Iraq.

Ms Nawroz Mawlood Amin, Director General of the Kurdistan Investment Board, outlined the Kurdistan Investment Law, which is one of the most foreign-investor friendly laws in the Middle East. She gave an overview of the investment opportunities in many sectors.

The Head of the Department of Foreign Relations, Minister Falah Mustafa, gave the opening ministerial keynote briefing to the attendees about the enormous progress the Kurdistan Region has undergone since 2003 and the fall of the former regime, emphasizing the opportunities available to companies that wish to invest and work in the Kurdistan Region. He spoke about the role that the DFR plays saying, "Our task is to serve as a facilitator to assist companies coming to the region; by maintaining close contacts with all branches, departments and institutions of the government."

In talking about the vast opportunities in the Kurdistan Region, Minister Mustafa said, "There are currently upwards of 450 major projects in progress throughout the Kurdistan Region. The value of these projects exceeds US \$20 billion, 21% of which is being funded at least in part through foreign direct investment." He described the conducive security and political stability conditions available in the Kurdistan Region emphasizing that many businesses can use it as the base or starting point for operations in the rest of Iraq.

The Governor of Erbil, Nawzad Hadi, also welcomed the attendees of the two-day conference emphasizing the work and efforts being undertaken by both the Kurdistan Regional Government and the people of the region in order to build a better future for the region economically and politically. He said, "It speaks volumes that we have been able to attract MEED to host their first event in Iraq in their over 55 years of existence here in Erbil. We are open to investment and cooperation across all sectors; not solely oil and gas."

The conference organizer, MEED, was founded in 1957 in order to build relations between the people of the Middle East and the international community. It continues to work to promote economic and business development across the Middle East, with Iraq the third largest country in the Middle East in terms of economic potential only after Saudi Arabia and Qatar.

The Chairman of MEED events, Edmund O'Sullivan, spoke about his enthusiasm over being able to hold the conference in the Kurdistan Region, stating "The Kurdish people have created through wise, prudent and pragmatic policies an environment in which it is easy to conduct business not only in the Kurdistan Region but in all of Iraq." He expressed his hope to be able to conduct more such conferences and events not only in Erbil but all across the Kurdistan Region and Iraq.

Representatives from the KRG Ministry of Natural Resources spoke about the current status of oil and gas projects in the Kurdistan Region along with the enormous potential that exists both in the short and long term, thanks in large part to the great geology in the Kurdistan Region. Over 50 production sharing contracts (PSC's) have been signed with the KRG to date and these contracts are transparent and can be found online. The current production capacity stands between 250,000 to 300,000 barrels of oil per day, on track to reach one million

barrels per day by 2015 based on existing discoveries only.

Throughout the two-day conference officials from various KRG ministries as well as different companies, institutions and organizations spoke to the audience with different question and answer panels set up for the different opportunities in the Kurdistan Region. These ranged from discussions about Kurdistan's long-term vision to project opportunities in Kurdistan's energy and non-energy sectors.

Over 120 participants came to the conference from 10 countries: Bulgaria, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Qatar, Turkey, UK, USA, the UAE and Oman.

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## Letter From Erbil

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**From:** Letter From Erbil [letterfromerbil@kurdistantoday.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 05, 2012 3:57 PM  
**Subject:** Kurdistan Careers Conference Aims to Help Job Seekers

### Kurdistan Careers Conference Aims to Help Job Seekers

By WLADIMIR van WILGENBURG

London, England - The Kurdistan Careers Conference 2012 -- to be held Aug. 28- Sept. 1 in Erbil and Slemani - will be the first event for Iraqi job seekers in the Kurdistan Region.

Amanj S. Yarwaessi, the conference's general coordinator, told Rudaw that the idea for the conference came to him after returning to Kurdistan in 2009 to find work.

"I found it difficult to get information on job opportunities as there were no recruitment agencies or government employment centers as you have in other countries," Yarwaessi said.

Although the situation is better now with the increase in business and inflow of foreign companies, the number of recruitment websites is still limited, and as a result looking for job opportunities can be difficult and time-consuming.

"There is still a big gap in the employment market and people that return from abroad are not aware of the information and may wait around for weeks or months trying to get at a job opportunity," Yarwaessi said.

The conference is aimed at Iraqis both at home and abroad, as well as companies seeking skilled workers. So far, 110 people have registered, though 534 people signed up on the group's Facebook page. Organizers said they are aiming for 200 jobseekers in Erbil and 200 in Slemani.

Azad Saleh, 22, a student from the Kurdistan Region, told Rudaw that it's not easy for students as there are no websites or conferences for job seekers. "If the government created a website then every student could fill in the required papers," Saleh suggested.

Another post-graduate student, Nabaz Shwany, 24, noted that companies do not pay much in Kurdistan. "Most of the companies offered less than \$1,000 and I wasn't ready to work for this amount of money," he said.

Shwany added that students who do not know English or Arabic have difficulties finding jobs. "Even if they get work, it's with a small salary and mostly in supermarkets and malls."

In 2009, Erbil Regional Reconstruction Team (RRT) cables, released by WikiLeaks, noted that with half a population under 25, understanding the concerns of the so-called "1991 Generation" -- those born during or after the Kurdish Uprising -- was key to understanding the Kurdistan Region's future.

The cable emphasized how students were worried about unemployment and complained about political interference by ruling parties when graduates were looking for jobs or being offered opportunities. As a result, many sought opportunities abroad or looked to the government for work.

The cable noted that 90 percent of callers to a youth radio program had questions or comments related to fears of unemployment.

Another issue was the small private sector, unable to absorb the "abundant supply of newly-minted university graduates," the RRT mentioned.

According to Azad Barmerni, a consultant based in Erbil who returned to Iraq from the U.K. after graduation, it can be difficult for foreign companies to find appropriately qualified candidates in Kurdistan. "The job market in Erbil is very strong and there is a high turnover so employee retention can be difficult. The job market is presently in favor of the well-qualified employee," he said.

He adds that fresh graduates "should have no major problems finding work but the salary may not meet their expectations."

Yarwaessi says that companies can find the right people, but that the "work ethic and skill sets required in a competitive market are lacking in the local workforce." According to him, this is the result of an education system that has suffered from 30 years of dictatorship, war and neglect.

"Foreign and local companies know this best, and although they can fill lower-level jobs with locals, jobs requiring higher skills are usually filled with foreigners or Iraqi Kurds and Arabs returning from abroad," Yarwaessi notes.

Yarwaessi believes the establishment of English language schools such as the American University of Iraq-Sulaimani and the University of Kurdistan-Hawler has contributed to the skill market.

"These universities are putting a higher caliber graduate into the employment market," he says. "But there is still room for improvement."

According to Yarwaessi, the diaspora can bring the best value to companies in Kurdistan. "Iraqi Kurds and Arabs have a very large diaspora with many skilled professionals educated and brought up in more stable countries such as in Europe and North America. No real direct effort or policy has been put in place to bring these people back. They can offer something that neither foreign workers nor local people can."

The RRT also noted a reverse brain-drain, with talented students and scholars returning to Kurdistan and taking jobs in the government and academia.

Yarwaessi says it can be difficult for those in the diaspora to find jobs, and this is in part what KCC2012 hopes to address. "Locals are in a better position than Kurds and Iraqis living abroad because they are based in the country and have daily access to information and developments. But even still, it is only this year that recruitment and job advertisement websites have become the norm."

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## **Letter From Erbil**

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**From:** Letter From Erbil [letterfromerbil@kurdistantoday.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 09, 2012 5:15 PM  
**Subject:** U.S. Consul General bids farewell to the Kurdistan Region

## **U.S. Consul General bids farewell to the Kurdistan Region**

Erbil, Kurdistan – Iraq (KRG.org) – Outgoing US Consul General Alexander Laskaris yesterday met with the Head of the Department of Foreign Relations, Minister Falah Mustafa, in order to bid farewell before his departure back to the United States of America.

The United States Regional Reconstruction Team (RRT) office in Erbil was upgraded to a full Consulate General on 10 July 2011, and the team leader Mr. Laskaris became the first U.S. Consul General to be posted in Kurdistan.

Minister Mustafa thanked Mr. Laskaris for his continuous efforts to connect with the people of Kurdistan and to understand the region's history and culture. "On behalf of my colleagues I thank you and wish to re-iterate what President Barzani said during the U.S. Independence Day Reception last week, commending you for the important role that you have played while stationed here in Kurdistan. I wish you all the best in your future endeavors," he said.

Mr. Laskaris expressed his appreciation for the support of the Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG), and particularly the Department of Foreign Relations, during his tenure as RRT team leader and Consul General here in Kurdistan. He also discussed the important role that the Consulate General plays, given its geographic location, and expressed his confidence that his successor will help further increase mutual cooperation with the KRG.

Mr. Paul Sutphin, the incoming Consul General, is a career Foreign Service officer, with wide ranging experience in the Middle East and North Africa, as well as on key issues in the wider region. He is scheduled to meet with local officials this week and will commence his duties accordingly.

As his last official act in the Region, prior to the meeting Consul General Laskaris signed an agreement regarding the allocation of land for the permanent premises of the U.S. Consulate to be built on. Commenting on this agreement, Mr. Laskaris said, "We thank the government of Kurdistan for allocating this land as part of enhancing our permanent diplomatic presence in Iraq including Baghdad, Basra and Erbil. We look forward to breaking ground and thank the leadership of the KRG for their continuing support and partnership."

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## **Letter From Erbil**

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**From:** Letter From Erbil [letterfromerbil@kurdistantoday.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 17, 2012 4:57 PM  
**Subject:** Prime Minister Barzani receives new U.S. Consul General

### **Prime Minister Barzani receives new U.S. Consul General**

Erbil, Kurdistan Region, Iraq - (KRG.org) – Prime Minister Nechirvan Barzani received the new U.S. Consul General to the Kurdistan Region, Mr. Paul Sutphin, yesterday to welcome him to the Kurdistan Region.

Prime Minister Barzani congratulated Mr. Sutphin on his new mission and encouraged him to explore ways of further expanding the scope of the U.S. Consulate General's activity, including greater trade and cultural ties.

Expressing his readiness to work with the authorities and institutions of Kurdistan, Mr. Sutphin said, "The American people and government recognize and respect the struggle and suffering that the Kurdish people have had to endure to achieve today's success, and I appreciate the warm welcome and hospitality of your people and the Kurdistan Regional Government".

He also conveyed his hope that the Consulate General would be able to begin issuing visas in Erbil by the end of this year in order to help facilitate further exchange of visits.

During their meeting, they touched on the ongoing political crises in Iraq with Prime Minister Barzani saying, "The current disagreements can only be resolved through genuine power-sharing and by implementing the Iraqi Constitution. We have committed ourselves to a federal, democratic and pluralistic Iraq but we will not accept a return to dictatorship".

Minister Falah Mustafa, Head of KRG Department of Foreign Relations, also participated in the meeting. Commenting on the arrival of Mr. Sutphin, he said, "We appreciate the United States' continued commitment to Kurdistan, and we want to encourage the strengthening of our ties, especially in the fields of education, culture and trade. By providing visas in Erbil, our students will be able to consider applying for universities in the United States in order to pursue their postgraduate studies there as a part of the KRG Human Capacity Development Programme".

Mr. Sutphin arrived in Kurdistan one week ago in order to take over the duties of his predecessor Mr. Alex Laskaris, who has been nominated to serve as the next U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea.

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## **Letter From Erbil**

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**From:** Letter From Erbil [letterfromerbil@kurdistantoday.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 23, 2012 5:10 PM  
**Subject:** President Barzani receives U.S. Delegation

### **President Barzani receives U.S. Delegation**

Salahadin, Kurdistan Region of Iraq, (KRG.org) – National Security Adviser to Vice President Joe Biden, Mr. Antony Blinken, led a delegation to Kurdistan was part of a larger trip to Iraq and Turkey on Thursday.

President Masoud Barzani received the delegation at his office in Salahadin to discuss the ongoing political crisis in Iraq as well as developments in Syria and other parts of the broader region.

Mr. Blinken confirmed the United States' continued commitment to helping solve Iraq's issues democratically and in accordance with the Iraqi Constitution and discussed a number of topics that were raised in meetings during his recent visit to Baghdad, expressing his hope that the US could be of assistance in obtaining a negotiated resolution to the political crisis.

President Barzani welcomed the delegation and expressed his appreciation for President Obama and Vice President Biden's ongoing support of the democratic process in Iraq, reiterating the importance of the constitution as the foundation for resolving outstanding issues.

The President also confirmed that he remains open to the possibility of meeting with other Iraqi leaders in order to improve the situation for all of Iraq's people, but he emphasized that genuine political reform and true partnership must be the basis for any acceptable solution.

The current acting Head of the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, Chargé d'Affaires Stephen Beecroft, and the U.S. Consul General in Erbil, Mr. Paul Sutphin, accompanied the U.S. delegation in their visit, and the KRG Head of the Department of Foreign Relations, Minister Falah Mustafa Bakir also attended the meeting.

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## Letter From Erbil

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**From:** Letter From Erbil [letterfromerbil@kurdistantoday.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 27, 2012 11:27 AM  
**Subject:** Kurdistan awareness to be given a lift by Olympics

### Kurdistan awareness to be given a lift by Olympics

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Sam Jafar, 19, originally from Koya in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq but now living in London, is due to carry the flame between Oxford Circus and Bond Street in the early evening.

As a youngster growing up in London, Sam fell in with the wrong crowd. He spent some time away from the city and when he returned he had nowhere to live. After being given accommodation by Westminster City Council he wanted to give something back to his community, get involved with a local club and make the most of his spare time.

Sam - who has pledged his support for the campaign to raise awareness for the victims of the genocide by Saddam Hussein in his home country - has been volunteering at Kyu-Yo-Bu-Shin football club for the past year and he coaches young people.

Sam has passed his FA Level 2 coaching award and completed his Duke Edinburgh Gold Award. He is now studying engineering and planning a fundraising campaign for a Raleigh International expedition to Costa Rica.

Sam will be following in the footsteps of another Kurd who carried the Olympic flame. Bayad Ali, a 22-year-old from Slemani, carried the torch through the streets of Camblesforth on 19 June.

The Kurdistan Regional Government said: "We are delighted and proud that these young Kurds from our community in Britain have been chosen to carry the flame to mark the special occasion of the London Olympics.

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## **Letter From Erbil**

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**From:** Letter From Erbil [letterfromerbil@kurdistantoday.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2012 2:46 PM  
**Subject:** Hilton Worldwide Announces Hilton Hotels & Resorts Development In Iraq

## **Hilton Worldwide Announces Hilton Hotels & Resorts Development In Iraq**

The FINANCIAL -- Hilton Worldwide announced expansion plans in Iraqi Kurdistan, Northern Iraq, with the signing of a management agreement with the Mihtab Group to develop the first Hilton Hotels & Resorts property in the rapidly growing city of Erbil, Iraq.

The 300-room Hilton Erbil Hotel & Spa, which is expected to open in 2016, will be the second Hilton Worldwide property in Erbil following the 2011 announcement to develop a DoubleTree Suites by Hilton in the city.

Hilton Erbil Hotel & Spa will be set in extensive, landscaped grounds in an upscale residential and commercial district just North of Erbil, an area famous for its picturesque, mountainous landscape as well as its close proximity to the city's main access road. These key location benefits are attracting many new businesses to the area, including a number of foreign embassies planned within the next two years.

Rudi Jagersbacher, president, Hilton Worldwide, Middle East & Africa said: "We're tremendously excited to introduce our second property to Erbil and welcome the opportunity to become part of its energetic and thriving city community. Establishing a strong presence in Kurdistan supports our ambitious strategy to open a further 40 hotels in the Middle East & Africa within the next four years."

Hilton Erbil Hotel & Spa's 300 rooms includes 30 suites and a further 10 chalets featuring a large health club, an outdoor and indoor pool and an upscale retail arcade. An additional compliment will be an eforea: spa at Hilton location, one of the fastest growing spa concepts in the world. Dining options include two specialty restaurants, an all-day dining area, a destination bar, lobby lounge and pool bar. As Hilton Worldwide reported, the property will also boast a substantial selection of business and event facilities with five meeting rooms, two boardrooms and one of the largest multi-purpose ballrooms in the city, with capacity for up to 1000 people.

Welcoming today's announcement, Dave Horton, global head, Hilton Hotels & Resorts said: "Iraq is a significant new market for our brand and we are thrilled to be able to offer visitors to Erbil the consistent high brand standards that guests experience in over 80 countries worldwide. Hilton Erbil Hotel & Spa is set to be an outstanding, landmark property and we look forward to welcoming guests to one of the most beautiful and unexplored areas of the Middle East."

Zmnako Yasin Ismail Qadir, Owner, Mihtab Group said: "As we face a surge in domestic and international travel to Iraqi Kurdistan, the addition of a new property by Hilton Worldwide, and the well-known quality it represents, will be a major boost to the range of hospitality offerings currently available."

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## Letter From Erbil

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**From:** Letter From Erbil [letterfromerbil@kurdistantoday.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 02, 2012 12:44 PM  
**Subject:** Resumption of Oil Exports by KRG

### Resumption of Oil Exports by KRG

Erbil, Kurdistan Region - Iraq (KRG.org) - Oil exports from the Kurdistan Region will resume in the first week of August, the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) announced today, adding that the decision was a confidence-building measure aimed at solving once and for all the ongoing oil and gas issues in Iraq.

The MNR said that despite initial reluctance from the producing international oil companies (IOCs) in the Region to export without guarantees of payment, the IOCs had been persuaded to restart exporting at 100,000 barrels per day.

A spokesman for the MNR said, "This is a goodwill initiative and we sincerely hope that the federal authorities in Iraq respond positively, making all the outstanding payments due to the IOCs and implementing all the measures agreed upon between the KRG and the federal government."

The spokesman said exports would remain at 100,000 bpd for a month and if payments were forthcoming, they could move swiftly up to 200,000 bpd.

The Kurdistan Regional Government Minister of Natural Resources, Dr Ashti Hawrami, said, "After approaches made by friends of Iraq in political and diplomatic circles, the KRG has decided to resume exports from the Region to build confidence with the federal government with the purpose of squaring up all the oil and gas issues in Iraq."

Dr Hawrami said these issues included: settling outstanding export payments and committing to regular payments for future exports; restoring the supply of refined products to the Kurdistan Region; payment of the KRG petrodollar (a sum allocated federally to the producing governorates per barrel of oil produced by them); and the settlement of outstanding fuel import costs for power generation in the Region.

Dr Hawrami also expressed hope that the authorities in Baghdad would recognize and implement, "in both letter and spirit", the issues negotiated between the KRG delegation, headed by the then Prime Minister Dr Barham Salih, and various federal government ministers during a visit to Baghdad in October 2011, and as presented to Prime Minister Dr Nuri Al-Maliki in a follow-up letter.

Dr Hawrami said such positive steps could help ease the way towards the much delayed federal hydrocarbon and revenue sharing laws, which should be within the framework of Iraq's federal and decentralized constitution.

"It is time to put aside futile and time-wasting attempts to re-impose an illegal centralized control over oil and gas in Iraq. The country is crying out for cooperation and coordination on these issues, not confrontation," Dr Hawrami said.

For further details, see the attached letter to Prime Minister Maliki from the then KRG Prime Minister Salih, following the KRG delegation's visit to Baghdad in October 2011

The MNR has also published the correspondence between Dr Hawrami and the IOCs regarding the imminent temporary resumption of oil exports from the Region.

- [Prime Minister Salih letter to Prime Minister Maliki](#)
- [Minister Hawrami letter to IOCs](#)

- Minister Hawrami letter following IOCs' response

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## Letter From Erbil

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**From:** Letter From Erbil [letterfromerbil@kurdistantoday.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 05, 2012 10:16 AM  
**Subject:** Head of Foreign Relations says "Without political will, problems will remain"

### Head of Foreign Relations says "Without political will, problems will remain"

Erbil, Kurdistan Region, Iraq – (KRG.org) – In light of continued uncertainty about resolving the outstanding disputes between the Kurdistan Region and the Iraqi Federal Government, KRG.org interviewed Head of the KRG Department of Foreign Relations, Minister Falah Mustafa to shed light on the underlying issues.

**KRG.org:** What difficulties is Iraq facing today, and how can these and the ongoing disputes between Baghdad and Erbil be overcome?

**Minister Falah Mustafa:** In spite of its tremendous natural wealth, most of Iraq is suffering from a lack of security and basic services. Daily reports of violence and the ongoing suffering of the general population show that much is needed to improve the general situation in Iraq. However, little is being done to address these problems. Nor are there any policies to safeguard Iraq's future or to solve the issues between Baghdad and Erbil.

Several times, we in the Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) have shown our willingness and flexibility to reach compromises in order to solve the issues with Baghdad and to help ensure a secure, stable and prosperous Iraq. But leaders in Baghdad continuously avoid trying to find solutions, choosing instead to distort the nature of the problems and portray them in a different light.

We believe that the best way to solve these conflicts is to go back to the constitution, and particularly to the articles that directly address these issues. The constitution is clear about genuine partnership, and the disagreements we have with the Federal Government are not limited to the Kurdistan Region. Many other Iraqi political factions and movements share our concerns.

If Iraq is to avoid repeating its painful past, the freedom and equality of all its people must be guaranteed through democracy and the rule of law. The Iraqi constitution was accepted through a national referendum in 2005, and it must be the foundation from which these issues are addressed.

**KRG.org:** Some politicians in Baghdad say that the 17% of Iraq's budget that is allocated to the Kurdistan Region is greater than the region's size and population warrants. How was the 17% established, and how could this percentage be changed?

**Minister Mustafa:** The Kurdistan Region should receive more than the 17% currently allocated to it by the Federal Government. This percentage was agreed upon because there was no recent census information to precisely determine what the percentage should be.

Even during the international sanctions of the 1990s, the limited KRG-administered area was allocated between 13-15% of the proceeds from the Oil for Food program. However, Iraq's population figures have changed since then. The Kurdistan Region has seen significant population growth, as well as a major increase of new residents fleeing other parts of Iraq and a large number of returnees from the Kurdish

Diaspora abroad.

Despite our limited resources and capability, our government has pursued a rigorous program to rebuild the thousands of villages that were destroyed and provide constant supply of basic services to our people.

Those who argue that we should get less than 17% of the budget are ignoring these facts while at the same time refusing to implement the constitutionally mandated national census that would immediately resolve the issue. When we accepted this percentage, it was as a sign of compromise and goodwill until the national census could be carried out.

Our political parties are the only ones urging that a national census be carried out. Every successful state needs to conduct regular census in order to be able to assess the needs of its respective areas, and it is clear that the only reason there is no support for this necessary effort is that it would validate the claims that we have made.

**KRG.org:** Some officials also claim that the contracts the KRG has signed with international oil companies are illegal and that the administration of Iraq's natural resources is the exclusive right of the Federal Government. How does the KRG view this issue?

**Minister Mustafa:** The areas that are the exclusive jurisdiction of the federal government are clearly stated in the constitution. And, while the constitution does stipulate that the management of the oil and gas extracted from present fields will be undertaken by the federal government with the producing governorates and regional governments, it gives the authority for the regional government to manage non-producing and future fields provided that they are in line with the strategic policies of the federal government which should be formulated with the respective regional government. Further, Articles 111 and 117 of the constitution clearly give precedence over non-exclusive federal powers to the respective regional governments, and Article 137 validates contracts and decisions made by the KRG which do not otherwise contradict the constitution.

When the Iraqi constitution was ratified there were no producing fields within the area administered by the KRG, and the fact that so many international oil companies have signed contracts to explore blocks within Kurdistan confirms that these contracts are in adherence with Iraq's constitution. We are confident that these companies know the constitution and the relevant federal and regional policies very well, and the substantial progress of this industry in the Region indicates that the KRG is pursuing the correct course in this sector.

Further, if the Iraqi Council of Representatives had approved an oil and gas law in accordance with Iraq's constitution, as was supported and called for by the Kurdish leadership, then these problems would not even exist today.

Our economic model and our agreements are proving much more attractive and efficient than the centralized, outdated oil strategies of the federal government – this is why many international oil companies prefer to operate here, despite threats and negative actions by Baghdad.

**KRG.org:** There has been a lot of discussion about trying to reach an agreement on these and the other outstanding issues by holding a national conference. If this conference is held, how likely is it that it will be able to solve these issues?

**Minister Mustafa:** The main problem so far has been a lack of political will in Baghdad to resolve these

disputes, as well as a disregard of the Iraqi constitution. If we don't use the constitution as the foundation for resolving these issues, then the problems will remain as they are.

We have seen conferences, we have reached agreements. The lack of political will to follow through with them has made most parties lose trust and confidence in pursuing further negotiations. The recent Erbil Agreement allowed for the formation of the current federal government, and it was only achieved after months of discussion. Accordingly, the only way forward is through adherence to the constitution and through implementation of the Erbil agreement and the other agreements that have already been made.

The Kurdistan Region has enjoyed its liberty for more than two decades now. It has its own institutions, which represent the will of its people. These institutions were established through democratic elections long before the fall of the former regime and the formation of the current Iraqi government. They have been formally recognized in the federal Iraqi constitution, and our rights must be respected.

We have seen unparalleled growth and progress in Kurdistan over the past twenty years. Many view the Region as a source of inspiration, and it has become a successful model that the rest of Iraq can benefit from.

We ask the Iraqi officials to acknowledge these realities and not to use Kurdistan as a scapegoat for their shortcomings and problems. The most pressing issues Baghdad needs to address have nothing to do with Kurdistan and either have been, or are already being, dealt with and resolved here.

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## Letter From Erbil

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**From:** Letter From Erbil [letterfromerbil@kurdistantoday.net]  
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**Subject:** U.S. Assistant Secretary says resolving disagreements is important for all Iraq

### **U.S. Assistant Secretary says resolving disagreements is important for all Iraq**

Salahaddin, Kurdistan Region, Iraq (KRP.org) – President Masoud Barzani on Tuesday welcomed the U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, Ambassador Elizabeth Jones, for talks on bilateral relations, the political process in Iraq, and challenges facing the region in general.

Ambassador Jones, who has been engaged in talks in Baghdad for the last two days, said the United States remains committed to supporting both Iraq and the Kurdistan Regional Government within the bounds of the Strategic Framework Agreement signed in 2008 between Iraq and the U.S.

On the political disagreements between Baghdad and Erbil, the Assistant Secretary said that the United States believes the resolution of these disagreements, coupled with the introduction of reforms by the Iraqi government, is important for the whole country and will help Iraq becoming a stronger participant in the region.

President Barzani said that the KRG is prepared for engagement with Baghdad to address these outstanding issues, but that practical steps need to be taken to demonstrate goodwill, and not just statements. He said that steps are needed on urgent issues such as passing hydrocarbons legislation, holding a long-overdue census, and implementing Article 140 of the Constitution, as demanded by the Constitution and according to agreements between the KRG and Baghdad.

The President and the Assistant Secretary also talked about developments in Syria, particularly their impact on Iraq and the KRG, and the humanitarian needs of Syrian refugees in Kurdistan.

Commenting on the delegation's visit, the Head of the KRG Department of Foreign Relations, Minister Falah Mustafa, said, "The visits of these senior officials are important, as they allow the U.S. to convey its position clearly and directly so that there is no room for misunderstanding.

"We are pleased with the United States' long-term commitment to Iraq and the Kurdistan Region, and we appreciate their continued support for the Iraqi Constitution as the foundation for a lasting solution to the ongoing political issues in Iraq."

The meeting was also attended by the President's Chief of Staff Dr. Fuad Hussein, the Minister of Natural Resources Dr. Ashti Hawrami, Minister Falah Mustafa, and Mr. Qubad Talabani. Ambassador Jones was accompanied by the Secretary's Special Envoy for International Energy Affairs, Mr. Carlos Pascual, other senior officials, and the US Consul General in Erbil Mr. Paul Sutphin.

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## **Letter From Erbil**

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**Subject:** President and Prime Minister Welcome Delegation of U.S. Senators

### **President and Prime Minister welcome delegation of U.S. Senators**

Salahaddin, Kurdistan Region, Iraq (KRG.org) – Kurdistan Region President Masoud Barzani and Prime Minister Nechirvan Barzani on Wednesday welcomed a delegation of US senators on their visit to the Region as part of a greater trip to Iraq.

The President and Prime Minister each held separate meetings with the three U.S. Senators, John McCain, Joe Lieberman, and Lindsey Graham, to discuss the political climate in Iraq and the ongoing conflict in Syria.

Praising Kurdistan for its significant progress over the past several years, the delegation commended President Barzani for his leadership and called him a friend to America. The delegation expressed their hope that other areas of Iraq will achieve the same levels of security, stability and development that Kurdistan has enjoyed.

President Barzani expressed his appreciation for the Senators' continued support of the Kurdistan Region, saying that he is proud of America's friendship. The President also said that the three Senators have a special place in the hearts of Kurdistan's people, as they have made many visits to the Region before.

Both sides spoke at length about the political issues that have beset the Iraqi political process since the formation of the current government in 2010, as well as the situation in Syria and its Kurdish community.

The delegation renewed assurances that the U.S. will work to help to maintain stability in the Region and in Iraq, and to ensure that the constitution is followed to by all parties. They emphasized the need for cooperation between all sides and underscored the importance of all agreements being made according to Iraq's laws and constitution.

In his separate meeting with the delegation, Prime Minister Nechirvan Barzani told the senators that it is only through continued dialogue and adherence to the Constitution that a solution to Iraq's current crisis can be found. They agreed that all sides need to respect the agreements that have been made and work together to ensure that differences are resolved peacefully.

Discussing the conflict in Syria, the delegation expressed their concerns about the impact of the situation in Syria on the greater region, and on Syria's immediate neighbors in particular. The Prime Minister agreed that these developments are having wide ranging effects, and said that any change from the current system should be a democratic one. The Prime Minister also said that the basic rights of all the people of Syria should be recognized and that they should be able to decide their own political future.

Upon their arrival at the Erbil International Airport on Wednesday, the delegation was received by the Head of the KRG Department of Foreign Relations, Minister Falah Mustafa, as well as the U.S. Consul

General in Erbil, Mr. Paul Sutphin.

Minister Mustafa and Consul General Sutphin also accompanied the delegation in their meetings with the President and Prime Minister, and the President's Chief of Staff, Dr. Fuad Hussein, and the KRG Minister of Natural Resources, Dr. Ashti Hawrami, were also present in the meetings.

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## Letter From Erbil

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### **United States-Kurdistan Business Council meets in Washington with senior Kurdistan Regional Government delegation**

The United States-Kurdistan Business Council (USKBC) board members received a private briefing from senior Iraqi Kurdish officials about economic development in the Kurdistan Region and the political situation in Iraq.

The briefing, chaired by USKBC CEO, General James Jones (USMC-Ret), was with Dr. Fuad Hussein, Chief of Staff to Kurdistan Region of Iraq president Masoud Barzani and Minister Falah Bakir, the Head of the KRG Department of Foreign Relations (DFR).

The Kurdish officials thanked USKBC members for their business interest and investment in the Kurdistan Region and the leadership role they have taken in the U.S. business community in operating in the Region. The officials also emphasized that American investment in the Kurdistan Region is good for both the U.S. national interest and all of Iraq.

"Kurdistan has embraced American business, and I believe the U.S. should promote investment and engagement with Erbil," Rex Wempen, a Principal at Excalibur Ventures and USKBC founding member, said. Wempen added, "USKBC founders, including Excalibur, are pleased to have assisted in the Kurdistan Region's development, and we look forward to continue supporting the region, along with others in Washington such as the Kurdish American Congressional Caucus that understand the importance of strong American-Kurdish relations."

The Kurdish officials reiterated that the Kurdistan Region is a growing and important region of Iraq that offers a business friendly environment and a stable security situation.

"The KRG believes that U.S. investment in Kurdistan will continue to strengthen the bonds between Americans, Kurds, and Iraqis. We strongly encourage the U.S. government to support American business in our region and make that commitment known to the U.S. business community," said Minister Bakir.

#### About the United States-Kurdistan Business Council

The USKBC is dedicated to facilitating trade and commerce for U.S. companies in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq and to strengthening ties between the private sector in the U.S. and Kurdistan Region. With one of the most liberal investment laws in the Middle East and significant needs in almost every industry sector, the Kurdistan Region presents untapped business opportunities for U.S. companies. The council also works closely with the Kurdistan Regional Government and private businesses in the Kurdistan Region to ensure that foreign investment reinforces the already enormous economic opportunities there. For more information on business opportunities in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq, please visit [USKBC.org](http://USKBC.org).

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**Subject:** U.S. Kurdistan Business Council embarks on historic trade mission to Kurdistan Region

### **U.S. Kurdistan Business Council embarks on historic trade mission to Kurdistan Region**

Washington, U.S. - The United States Kurdistan Business Council (USKBC) CEO General James Jones (USMC-Ret) is leading the largest ever trade mission of US business people to the Kurdistan Region of Iraq.

The USKBC sponsored 48 member delegation represents 30 U.S. companies and organizations from diverse industry sectors. The delegation will meet with top officials of the Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) in the regional capital Erbil, and will also travel to the city of Sulaimani to meet there with provincial leaders and members of the business community.

The USKBC trade mission is in partnership with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

"The commercial opportunities in Kurdistan are enormous," General Jones said. "The USKBC trade mission will seek to capture those chances in this promising emerging market," he added.

During the mission, the USKBC will also sponsor a business seminar in Erbil entitled "U.S. Business in Kurdistan," at which U.S. Government and KRG officials as well as leading business people will speak. In addition, the USKBC will exhibit at the Erbil International Fair, the largest general trade fair organized in Iraq.

The mission will conclude with a reception hosted by the USKBC for the broader government and business communities of the United States and the Kurdistan Region of Iraq.

"My government is very excited to welcome the USKBC delegation to Kurdistan," Qubad Talabani, the KRG Minister for Coordination and Follow Up, said. "We want to continue to strengthen ties between the Kurdish and American private sectors and are proud to support the growing US business community in Kurdistan," he added.

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